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BASEBALL TEAM WINS FROM PRINCE RUPERT

The Hazelton baseball team returned from Prince Rupert Thursday, after winning two out of three games played with the coast city team.

The first game, played Monday night, was won by the home team, the score being 7-3. Ben Hunt, erstwhile big leaguer and lately of Vancouver, was in the box for Rupert and held the locals to four hits. Morison, for Hazelton, also pitched a good game, allowing a total of only six hits.

Rain prevented a game on Tuesday, so two games were played Wednesday, the afternoon fixture being a free-hitting and loose-fielding affair, in which Hazelton came out on the long end of an 11-8 score. Doc Rock and Fortin were the opposing twirlers, and Doc had the best of the argument.

The evening game, which went seven innings by agreement, was a splendid exhibition of baseball and had both spectators and players keyed up to a high pitch. Graham Rock pitched against the Rupert star—Donahue catching—and shut the coast team out in a rattling game. Score 2-0.

The teams were:

Hazelton—Bob Rock, Doc Rock, Graham Rock, Donahue, Macdonald, Sinclair, Lofquist, C'Shea, Berts, Morison.

Prince Rupert—Anderson, Fortin, Manson, Hunt, Hannifan, Blake, Henning, Murphy, Embleton.

METAL PRICES MAKE MINING MEN SMILE

District mining men are much pleased with the rise in the prices of copper and lead, both of which are higher than they have been for years. Lead is selling at seven cents and over, while copper has gone above twenty cents. Lake copper futures are selling as high as 25.

Church Social Next Friday

A strawberry social, under the auspices of the Methodist Church, will be held in St. Andrew's Hall, on Friday evening, June 25, at 8:30. A collection will be taken to defray expenses.

Entrance Examinations

The entrance examination will be held in Hazelton on June 22, 23 and 24. Government Agent Hoskins has consented to act as presiding examiner. The following candidates will represent Hazelton Public School: Miss Maggie Allen, Miss Florence McDougall and Miss Jean Grant.

The sockeye season on the Skeena opens on Monday.

ALLIES POUNDING GERMAN LINES

BRITISH AGAIN ASSUME OFFENSIVE--

MAKING PROGRESS ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris: On an eight-mile front, north of Arras, a furious battle over wrecked trenches and hill-sides strewn with corpses is marking the centenary of Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo.

The French are fighting desperately to surround a large enemy force at bay in a ravine east of the Lorette hills. From a hill near Souchez heavy artillery is sweeping the enemy lines with a circle of terrific shell fire. All around Souchez the fighting is going on with the greatest intensity.

The French are pounding and smashing against a fortified stronghold with artillery, while infantry regiments are hurling themselves against 200,000 German troops engaged in a desperate effort to hold their lines before Lens.

London: A despatch to the Times says that the British again have taken the offensive at Festubert and Hooge. The attack, which began on Wednesday evening at Festubert, is regarded as a continuation of the operations of a month ago. It started in with a heavy bombardment, in which artillery of all calibers

was called into play. After the bombardment, infantry attacked at once, and the troops were successful in occupying the German first line of trenches and in some cases pushing even into the second line. The Germans were not long in instituting counter attacks. So heavy was their bombardment that by morning the British, except in a few isolated stretches of the line, had been compelled to fall back to the first German line.

Paris: The following official communication was issued this evening:

"In the sector north of Arras a violent artillery duel has taken place. The front here remains unchanged. We hold all the ground we have captured."

"In Alsace we have fortified the positions which we took yesterday and continue to make progress here. Our advanced troops at the end of the day had reached the outskirts of Metzeral. We advanced along both banks of the Fecht and hold under our fire the enemy communications between Metzeral and Munster. Further prisoners, machine guns, and a very large

quantity of war material, notably rifles and cartridges, have been taken by us. There is nothing to report concerning the situation on the remainder of the front."

London: Russian forces are at bay along the Grodek line in Galicia, in heavy fortifications west of Lemberg, their flank protected by the marshes of the Dneister. Russians claim they have hurled the Austro-Germans back on the Pruth river.

Rome: Italian advance is shown by the shelling of the station at Corizia. Italian troops now occupy 6,000 square miles of the "unredeemed" territory, more than twice as much as offered by Austria.

A combined naval, seaplane and dirigible raid on the Isonzo front was the feature of yesterday's operations.

Amsterdam: Allied airmen dropped bombs on the German balloon sheds at Brussels.

London: D. A. Thomas, the coal magnate, a survivor of the Lusitania, has accepted a commission to supervise ammunition contracts in the United States and Canada.

PROGRESS OF THE GREAT WAR DAY BY DAY

Monday, June 14

Rome: The arsenal of the Austro-Hungarian naval station at Pola, on the Adriatic, has been almost entirely destroyed by bombs dropped from an Italian airship. There were at the time in the station ten warships, including one battleship, two cruisers and several submarines. Some of these ships are supposed to have been damaged.

London: The Austro-German attempt on Lemberg has been abandoned, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the Daily News, with the defeat of General Mackensen's army, which, moving along the railway to Mosciska, started an attack with three hours of terrific artillery cannonade, to which the Russians did not reply. When the enemy infantry was within 200 yards of the trenches, says the correspondent, the Russians opened a murderous fire and charged. They took the enemy's front line along both sides of the railway and remained there. The Austro-Germans tried to fortify their second line, but the Russians, pressing on in great num-

bers north and south, passed beyond a crossfire from both ends and killed over twenty thousand before dawn, when the enemy began a disorderly retreat. The Russians are still in close contact with them and continue to fight.

Petrograd: In a three-days' battle on the Dneister river, in the region of Zurawana, which lasted from June 8 to 10, the Russians captured 348 officers and 15,431 soldiers, with seventy-eight machine guns and seventeen cannon, according to the Russian official statement issued under date of June 12. On June 11, the statement adds, the Austro-German forces crossed the Dneister at several points. Russian torpedo boats on the night of June 10 destroyed the buildings of the Turkish seaport of Stamsun on the Black Sea. Many Turkish boats, the announcement says, were sunk.

Paris: A slight advance by the Allies in the vicinity of Dixmude is reported.

Moscow: A rumor that Germans had poisoned the water supply of a factory, causing the

illness of a number of employees, was the occasion for serious anti-German riots. On the third day police and troops succeeded in restoring order.

Tuesday, June 15

Paris (official): In the sector north of Arras we repulsed last night several attacks against our trenches on the road between Aix Noullette and Souchez, consolidated our position gained to the east of Lorette, made a further advance to the right of these positions of about 150 metres, and progressed to the southeast section of the Labyrinth. Artillery struggle in this sector has been nearly continuous. Southeast of Hebuterne we arrested by our fire an attack against our trenches on the road from Serre to Mailly-Maillet. The check to the enemy was followed by a violent bombardment. In the region about Quenievieres farm we made slight progress in branch trenches and saps and inflicted serious losses to the enemy reconnaissances. Throughout the day the artillery engagement has been quite lively.

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JURY ACQUITS MAY ON SECOND TRIAL

There was general surprise in Hazelton yesterday when it became known that John May, previously condemned to hang for the murder of Albert Taylor, had been acquitted on his retrial at Prince Rupert assizes. Only a meager report has been received. The new trial began on Thursday, and all the evidence was in yesterday morning. At noon counsel finished their addresses to the jury, who retired after a brief summing up by the judge. After fifteen minutes' deliberation, the jurymen returned to court and presented a verdict of "not guilty."

Tennis Tournament

In the first games of the tennis tournament, played last evening, the results were as follows:

Miss Smith and Mr. Fuller, 7; Miss J. Grant and Mr. Hoskins, 6; Miss Ward and Mr. Forster, 6; Mr. A. Grant and Mr. McKay, 3; Mrs. Hoskins and Mr. Welch, 6; Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Wright, 4; Miss F. McDougall and Mr. Barrington, 6; Mrs. Rock and Mr. Morison, 5.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT NEWS PARAGRAPHS

Mrs. Markell is visiting friends in Prince Rupert.

Mrs. Moseley left on Monday for a visit to Seattle.

H. H. McVittie is spending his vacation in the Kispiox Valley.

W. G. Hope Thomson, of Vancouver, is a visitor in Hazelton.

Mrs. S. E. Burgunder arrived on Monday, to join her husband.

Mrs. Field left on Monday for Courtenay, to visit her son Fred.

Forest Ranger Latham has returned from a visit to Bulkley Valley points.

B. R. Jones, the Skeena Crossing merchant, is spending a few days in Hazelton.

In this issue the City of Prince Rupert advertises work horses for sale by auction.

R. A. Sampare is back from Gitwangak, and has taken his former position on Sargent's staff.

Government Agent Hoskins goes to Smithers tonight, to hold an inquest in a case of suicide. The police had not learned the name of the victim.

The trial of Harry McMeekin for the murder of Peter Dunnigan at Telkwa will be held at Prince Rupert on Monday.

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MINING MEN PROPOSE NEW POLICY

It is generally admitted that the mining laws of British Columbia are the best and fairest of any state or province in America, and a large majority of our mining men would strongly deprecate any tinkering with the existing regulations. Without changing the law, however—except perhaps in regard to taxation and the tenure of crown-granted claims—the government might well take steps calculated to promote the development of what must be recognized as one of our greatest industries.

Consideration of conditions has led the Vancouver Chamber of Mines to suggest the following policy, which would undoubtedly receive general support:

1. In view of the fact that mining is the basal industry of British Columbia it is desirable that the portfolio of mines be separated from, and uncombined with, any other office in the cabinet in order that the minister may be able to devote his whole attention to the promotion of the interests of this industry;

2. That, with a view to encouraging the development of the mineral resources of British Columbia the following policy may be adopted with advantage:

That steps be taken to have geological investigations made, and maps prepared, of new localities in which mineral discoveries are reported; and that this work be carried out either by geologists attached to the staff of the Department of Mines, or by members of the faculty of the University of British Columbia qualified to undertake the work;

That reports of such investigations be promptly published, together with maps, for the information of prospectors and investors;

That technical education be arranged for in the mining camps of the Province;

That a complete survey be made of the iron ore resources of the Province to secure data on which estimates may be made of the probable quantities of ores available and the character thereof with a view to promoting the establishment of the iron and steel industry on the Coast;

That Government investigations into mine accidents be made promptly, and by technical men;

That an efficient policy of trail construction be adopted to give convenient access to prospectors operating in new sections;

That a special effort be made to promote the placer and lode gold production of the Province with a view to improving business and financial conditions;

That steps be taken to prevent the fraudulent promotion of mining companies;

That the capitalization of mining companies be placed on the same basis as that of other commercial and financial companies;

That the possibility of the occurrence of deposits of economic minerals, other than those now exploited, be investigated;

That steps be taken to encourage prospecting for new fields and new mineral deposits;

That aid be given to the work of local chambers of mines on the same principle as the aid now given by the Government to agricultural societies;

That an effort be made to develop the marble and building stone deposits of the Province by providing in the specifications for public buildings and works for the use of such material as can be produced here;

That steps be taken to prevent mineral lands being closed indefinitely to development and operation;

That taxation on mines be revised to confine such taxation to net profits of operating companies.

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ERNEST A. WOODS, 42-3 City Clerk.



NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF RESERVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the reserve covering Section 10 and the south half of Section 15, Township 1A, Range 5, Coast District, by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazette on the 22nd of July, 1909; the reserve covering Township 4, Range 5, Coast District, by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazette on the 26th of October, 1906, and the reserve covering certain lands west of Township 4, Range 5, Coast District, by reason of a notice published in the British Columbia Gazette on the 31st of July, 1913, are cancelled in so far as they relate to entry under the provisions of the "Coal and Petroleum Act."

R. A. RENWICK, Deputy Minister of Lands, Department of Lands, Victoria, B. C., 18th April, 1915.

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Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated.

In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5, which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available, but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton.

The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10.00 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,
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LAND REGISTRY ACT

Notice under Section 36

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You and those claiming through or under you, and all persons claiming any interest in the said land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act" are required to contest the claim of the tax purchaser within forty-five days of the service of this notice upon you. Otherwise you and each of you will be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the said land, and I shall register the said John Edward Bennett as owner in fee.

Your attention is called to Section 36 of the "Land Registry Act" and amendments, and especially to the following extract therefrom which relates to the above notice:

"And in default of a caveat or certificate of his pendency being filed before the registration as owner of the persons entitled under such tax sale, all persons so served with notice, or served with notice under subsection (6) of section 155 of the "Municipal Clauses Act, 1906," or section 293 of the "Municipal Act," or section 129 of the "Assessment Act, 1908," or section 253 of the "Taxation Act," in cases in which notice under this Act is dispensed with as hereinafter provided, and those claiming through or under them, and all persons claiming any interest in the land by virtue of any unregistered instrument, and all persons claiming any interest in the land by descent whose title is not registered under the provisions of this Act, shall be forever estopped and debarred from setting up any claim to or in respect of the land so sold for taxes."

Dated at the Land Registry Office, at the City of Prince Rupert, Province of British Columbia, this 17th day of May, A.D. 1915.

H. F. MACLEOD,
District Registrar.

To JOSEPH F. HANNA,
Aldermere, B. C.

The World's Doings in Brief

News Notes from Many Sources

Premier McBride is still in London.

Prince Albert, Sask., had a snowstorm on Tuesday.

Drought in Austria is likely to seriously affect grain crops.

There is a revival of activity in the Slocan silver-lead district.

Two thousand people lost their homes in Texas floods last week.

Great Britain and Italy have reached a basis of financial co-operation.

Fifteen persons were killed in a storm in Wisconsin on Saturday night.

The government investigation of war purchase abuses has opened at Ottawa.

Methodist ministers in Toronto condemn the sending of tobacco to soldiers at the front.

Brigandage, fostered by Austria, is rife in the rear of the Italian army in Austria.

A tornado in Perth county, Ontario, caused one death and destroyed much property.

Portugal's general elections resulted in a defeat of the revolutionary party by the Democrats.

The H. B. Co. steamer Port Simpson will make only two trips to Telegraph Creek this season.

Vancouver school board has ordered a cut of ten per cent in the salaries of all teachers, from July 1.

Garza, provisional president of Mexico, has been deposed and a Villa candidate returned at a convention.

A strike by 14,000 street car employees in Chicago tied up traffic over 1310 miles of track this week.

Victoria ball team has disbanded, after ten successive defeats. The players refused to accept reduced salaries.

Prohibition in Russia has caused an abnormal demand for tea, which has risen in price ten cents a pound.

Villa has been notified by Britain that he must fix the responsibility for the murder of British subjects in Mexico.

"Patsy" Clark, the millionaire of Spokane, who was interested in various B. C. mines, is dead, of heart failure.

Resta, winner of the Grand Prix, drove an automobile for two miles at the rate of 110.7 miles an hour, a new record.

Premier Venizelos, of Greece, has been returned to power, and it is expected that country will enter the war on the side of the Allies.

Attorney-General Bowser, Act-

ing minister of mines, has ordered the internment of all enemy aliens employed in the mines of the province.

The international boundary commission has arrived at a satisfactory settlement of all disputed boundary points between Canada and the United States.

The president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association states that at the end of the war the Allies will enter into a trade agreement which will give Canada a large market in Russia.

Ex-Secretary Bryan has published a peace manifesto, in which he suggests mediation as a preventive of war. Nations, he says, should allow a year for investigation before beginning war.

A force of 600 American blue-jackets and marines will start from Guaymas, on the west coast of Mexico, to attack the Yaqui Indians, of Mexico, who have declared war on Americans, Mexicans and Germans.

A Letter From the Trenches

James Turnbull, one of the forest rangers who left Hazelton for the front, writes from France to Forester Allen, telling something of his experiences in the war. "Jim" is with the Princess Patricia's, which is to say that he has seen his full share of fighting, that corps having been almost constantly on the firing line, and having suffered great losses. The fighting line of the regiment, when Private Turnbull wrote on May 20, was reduced to 140, but still held the ground they had been fighting on. Jim was one of the fortunate few, but Andrew Moncur, another Hazelton man, was slightly wounded in the head. When the letter was written the Pats had just put in 72 hours facing the enemy, within a few yards of their old battleground, and had been sent to reserve for much-needed rest.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY PLANS FOR SEASON

Field operations by the staff of the geological survey of Canada will be continued in British Columbia during the present season, particular attention being paid to the economic resources in minerals. In Omineca district this important work will occupy several of the government geologists; Charles Camsell making an exploration of the region tributary to the G. T. P., between Telkwa and Prince George, while J. D. MacKenzie will study the geology of the Hazelton-Aldermere area, paying especial attention to mineral deposits. Further investigations into coal resources and petroleum prospects will be conducted by D. B. Dowling, and archaeological investigations will be carried on in this district by H. I. Smith. E. L. Burling will examine geological sections along the G. T. P.

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THE MINER WAR BULLETINS

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ly. In Lorraine we have carried our lines forward in the region of Embermenil and the Forest of Parroy. Our progress in that sector continues without interruption.

Rome: Fierce fighting on three sides of Goritz and the partial destruction of the Austrian fortress of Malborget in the Carnic Alps were reported in special despatches from General Cardona today. The explosion of a magazine during a violent bombardment on Sunday afternoon blew out the wing of a fort at Malborget. Italian aviators reported that several high explosive shells appeared to have crashed into the magazine simultaneously. There was a dull roar that shook the mountain side and the masonry was blown to bits. A column of smoke shot high into the air and the Italian soldiers burst into cheers. A battle is being fought along the east bank of the Isonzo, six miles north of Goritz, where Italian infantry crossed the river and cut the railway leading north from Goritz after occupying Plava. From in front of Goritz a heavy bombardment of the outer forts continues night and day. To the south, another

Italian infantry force, co-operating with the two movements to the north, cut the railway leading from Goritz to Trieste. Italian armies north of Goritz, near Plava, are descending upon the Austrian lines of communication from Goritz eastward. The operations around the fortress, therefore, are almost identical with the enveloping movement of General Mackensen's armies around Przemysl.

Wednesday, June 16

Paris: The British armies took the offensive at La Bassée and delivered a sudden smash, driving the Germans back from the fifteenth line of their earthworks. The British took the Germans by surprise, as their attack followed a terrific 48 hours' German cannonade against the Belgian, French and British lines.

A heavy bombardment opened the British attack at La Bassée. Every gun was in play, shattering the German positions. Then the British sallied forth with the bayonet on the immediate cessation of their attack.

The main British advance is south of Neuve Chapelle. Fighting was as fierce as at Neuve Chapelle, but the British losses are much lighter. A British shell at Festubert destroyed a German gas reservoir.

Washington: Germany today issued the first part of a statement entitled "The Causeless War," saying that in the hands of the United States was the greatest peace-making opportunity in history.

Rome: An elaborate system of Austrian trenches on the Isonzo river has been captured. The trenches were protected by masonry, metal sheets and a mile of batteries. Our advance on the Tyrol-Trentina front continues.

Petrograd: Fighting continues at Shavli. In Galicia German reinforcements forced us to give ground on the San, after three days' fighting. On the Dneister we delivered a successful counter attack, taking 1,200 prisoners and seven machine guns. In the village of Jouravkoff the Germans treacherously used the white flag and shot our men. They were all bayoneted by our soldiers.

Thursday, June 17

London: Among the military experts the consensus of opinion is that the "Big Push", by which the Allies intend to drive the Germans out of France and Belgium, has commenced. Advices from every part of the western battlefield go to show that the British and their allies have begun a great forward drive, which is expected to shatter the German lines. The fact that a line of trenches was lost at Festubert does not, in the opinion of the experts, amount to much. Their view is that this attack by the British was more in the nature of a feeler, to test the strength

of the enemy rather than to occupy the position permanently.

Paris (official): North of Ypres the British have occupied a line of German trenches.

The gains made to the west of La Bassée have not yet been established.

In the sector north of Arras we have gained ground at several points, notably to the east of Lorette, south and southwest of Souchez, and in the Labyrinth, where we took 300 prisoners and several machine guns.

South of Arras the Germans violently bombarded the position which they lost in the vicinity of Toutvent Farm; but without delivering any infantry attack.

At Quennevieres Farm, after having repelled several counter-attacks by the enemy, we extended our gain northwest of the trenches already captured. We took 100 prisoners, including two officers.

The city of Rheims has been bombarded, some of the shells used being of an incendiary type. About a dozen projectiles fell on the cathedral.

In the Vosges we have made important progress on both banks of the upper Fecht. The enemy left in our hands 340 unwounded prisoners, a number of rifles and 500,000 cartridges.

London: Reports of numerous minor successes indicate that the Russian lines are again holding their own. A decisive engagement reported in progress along the entire Russian front of 632 miles in Poland, Galicia and Bukowina.

Friday, June 18

Petrograd: A notable success was scored by the Russians on the Dneister, above Zurawna, on Monday and Tuesday. The number of prisoners taken was 8,544, including 202 officers. The official statement says 40,000 men and 860 officers have been taken since May 29, with 24 cannon and over 100 machine guns, as well as other booty. Further to the southeast, on the same front, the Austro-German forces have been hurled back, while another force, which crossed the Dneister above Ninziowa, was destroyed.

Paris: The war office communique describes intense and growing activity along the front in France and Belgium, Allied troops delivering powerful blows on the enemy's line and the Germans counter-attacking fiercely. North of Arras, the French have carried several lines of German trenches, and are making marked progress in the direction of Souchez. Heavy losses on both sides are reported.

Rome: An attack on Trieste is expected hourly, the outposts of the Italian army having come within sight of the city.

The Italian fleet, with sealed orders, has steamed from the port of Taranto.

Geneva: Today's military newspapers report the capture of an Austrian armored train near Plava. The train, consisting of six cars filled with machine guns and ammunition, was allowed to enter a tunnel. The Italians then blew up the track and took the train intact.

London: It is officially stated that the Italian submarine Medusa has been torpedoed by an Austrian submarine. She was built in 1911 and carried four-teen men.

Berlin: The government has nullified all contracts for the sale of rye, wheat, barley, oats and crude sugar of the 1915 crop.

Petrograd: Over one thousand Germans were bayoneted at Rerznica, for treacherous misuse of the white flag.

Local and District News

J. H. King, an expert in botany, is here from Prince Rupert.

Little Vera McInnes, who has been dangerously ill, of appendicitis, is recovering at Hazelton Hospital.

Charles Hicks Beach, B. C. Affleck and Charles Barrett are in Prince Rupert, serving on the grand jury.

Hazelton rifle association held a practice shoot at 200 yards last Sunday. Several good scores were made.

Names of volunteers for the fourth Canadian contingent are being received by Government Agent Hoskins.

R. E. Allen, district forester, has gone to Vancouver for a brief stay in connection with mining litigation.

G. R. ("Spot") Middleton is reported wounded, in Monday's list of casualties. W. J. Guiney is also wounded.

Road Superintendent Carr returned this week from a trip through the Bulkley Valley. He states that all crops are in splendid condition.

Mrs. A. C. Aldous and her little son arrived from the coast on Thursday, to spend a month in Hazelton. "Pat" is expected in a day or two.

Rocher de Boule is to work three shifts next month. Approximately ninety men will be employed, and ore shipments will be increased.

Four Indians, arrested by Constables Hamblin and McLeod, were fined for drunkenness, while English, a halfbreed who supplied the liquor, was assessed \$150 and costs, with the option of three months' hard labor, by Magistrate Hoskins.

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